

Lesson of The Day

1/5 Dialogue:

Chi hochowa ho?

Are you cold?

Word Meaning:

chi (che) = you

hochowa (hoh-choh-wah) = cold (body temperature)

ho (hohn) = question marker

Question markers **o**, **ho** and **yo** come at the end of a question and the vowel 'o' is underlined to show it has a nasalized sound.

Rules to follow for correct usage of question markers.

1. **o** – follows a word that ends in a consonant.
2. **ho** – follows a verb.
3. **yo** – follows descriptive words/adjectives, numbers, etc.

In previous lessons, we learned the Choctaw word for 'I' is 'li' and is preceded by a verb.

The use of 'chi' also means 'you' and is in the second person singular form. This usage shows how 'you – chi' is affected by an action or adjective.

Ex. Ofi yvt chi haklo tuk. The dog heard you.

Chi chaha. You are tall.

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